# Rachana Ghimire

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### **EDUCATION**

WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY, LEXINGTON, VA

Major(s): Economics and Environmental Studies, GPA: 3.4

Expected Graduation Date: May 2017

INTERNATIONAL HONORS PROGRAM: THE POLITICS OF FOOD, WATER, ENERGY January – May 2016

OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY, STILLWATER, OK (HS CONCURRENT STUDENT)

Travels to Vietnam, Morocco, and Bolivia to examine the effects of climate change on society.

June 2012 - May 2013

GPA: 4.0

STILLWATER HIGH SCHOOL, STILLWATER, OK

Graduation Date: May 2013

Weighted GPA: 4.10 Class rank: 17/360 (4.72%)

BATONROUGE MAGNET HIGH SCHOOL, BATON ROUGE, LA

August 2009 - May 2011

Weighted GPA: 4.45 Class rank: 19/341 (5.57%)

Key Courses: Principles of Microeconomics/Macroeconomics, Microeconomic/Macroeconomic theory, Applied Statistics, Economics of Social Issues, Institutions and Economic Performance, Environmental and Natural Resources Economics, Urban Economics, Development Economics, Calculus I, Information Tech Literacy

## WORK/RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE FOR UNDERGRADUATES AT UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT MAY – AUGUST 2015 Conducted full-time independent research on the ecological and economic impacts of aquatic invasive species (AIS) in Lake Champlain using geographic information system. Researched the life histories of AIS, developed invasion risk assessments, and identified cost effective solutions. Presented the results at the REU research summit.

SUMMER STUDENT INTERN AT VA BOSTON HEALTHECARE SYSTEM

JULY - AUGUST 2014

Worked full time in the education department at the Veterans Affairs office in Brockton, MA. Duties included organizing and creating bags for homeless veterans for the stand-down event, assisting the supervisor with monthly Schwartz rounds, and keeping track of BLS/ACLS cards, as well as general office work.

ELROD COMMONS STUDENT ASSISTANT AT WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY FALL 2013-TO DATE Showed multiple movies in the Elrod commons Theater, worked as a Barista at weekly Friday Underground event, helped student activities assistant plan fall/spring break trips, assisted with various events throughout the year.

VOLUNTEER AT MERCY REGIONAL HOSPITAL

JUNE - JULY 2013

Worked in Outpatient Services, the ER, as well as Women and Birth 10 hours/week in Manhattan, KS.

#### LEADERSHIP

Secretary for Student Association for International Learning (SAIL) Publicity Committee Chair for SAIL

W&L University August 2015-May 2016

W&L University August 2014 - May 2015

#### HONORS AND AWARDS

Deans Honor Roll Award at Washington and Lee University 2014 • Valedictorian Award at Stillwater HS 2013 • Certificate of Achievement Quest Scholars Program 2013 • Straight A Honor Roll Award at OSU Summer 2011 and 2012 • Oklahoma Academic Scholar Award 2013 • Academic All-State Award 2013

#### HOBBIES/ACTIVITIES

Volunteer at Yellow Brick Road Early Childhood Learning Center

2013-2015

Worked with children from low-income households ages 6 weeks to 5 years to foster active learning in the classroom.

Dance Performance and Holi Celebration for SAIL at Washington and Lee University, 2014 • Dance Performances: International Cultural Night at Oklahoma State University- 2007-2013 (Award: First Place 2008 among small group and 2012 among big group dance) • Narrator for NSA cultural Night at Oklahoma State University - 2012 and 2013